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In re Patent application of:

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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING A PLASTIC EDGE STRIP TO A
PLATE-LIKE WORKPIECE AND SUCH A WORKPIECE**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action having a mailing date of October 19, 2004. The three-month shortened statutory period to respond was set to expire January 19, 2005. Thus a petition for a three-month extension of time has been submitted with this Response, making the due date for response April 19, 2005.

Entry of this Response and Amendment is respectfully requested since it is believed to place the application in condition for allowance or in better condition for appeal and does not raise any new issues that require further consideration and/or search.

In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow this application.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.